

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The City Of Augusta

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of “CONGREGATION CHILDREN OF ISRAEL’S 160th ANNIVERSARY”

WHEREAS, Congregation Children of Israel was founded in 1845 and is a charter member of the Union of American Hebrew Congregation; and

WHEREAS, Congregation Children of Israel’s first building was on the corner of Telfair and Fifth Street that was dedicated by Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise in 1869; and

WHEREAS, Congregation Children of Israel relocated to Walton Way in 1951 and dedicated a new Sanctuary and Social Hall in 1967; and

WHEREAS, The Augusta Jewish community boasts two congregations, a Jewish Community Center and chapters of several national Jewish organizations; and

WHEREAS, Congregation Children of Israel offers a schedule of programs that include Active and Vibrant Sisterhood, Growing Brotherhood, High School Youth Group, Middle School Youth Group, Caring Congregation, Social Action activities, Programs for interfaith families, and Volunteer High Holiday Choir; and

WHEREAS, Congregation Children of Israel’s Bart D. Wittenberg Religious School is now a part of the Augusta Jewish Community Sunday School and spans kindergarten to seventh grade; and

WHEREAS, Congregation Children of Israel offers an adult education program that includes Introduction to Judaism, Adult Hebrew, Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Bible Study, Lectures and mini-courses, Conversion Program, and lunches, brunches, and speakers; and

WHEREAS, Congregation of the Children of Israel will celebrate its 160th Anniversary, January 21st 2006; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Deke Copenhaver, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim January 21st 2006, as “CONGREGATION CHILDREN OF ISRAEL DAY” in Augusta, Georgia, and do hereby call upon and urge all citizens to recognize the Congregation’s 160th year of faithful Jewish service to the Augusta area.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 21st day of January 2006.

*Given under my hand
this 21st day of January 2006*

*Deke Copenhaver
Mayor*

